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For : LAMINATE, PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND THE USE OF A  
LAMINATE IN PARTICULAR AS A MEDICAL BACKING MATERIAL

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 28, 2005 which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply to expire on March 28, 2006. Applicants hereby request an extension of time for two months and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file, or the fee submitted herewith is deemed insufficient for any reason, the present submission should be interpreted to include the requisite Request for Extension of Time, and the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.